

EXPERIENCED ATTORNEY
GS-905-15
OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS (OIA)
CRIMINAL DIVISION
U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
WASHINGTON, DC

About the Position:

The United States Department of Justice, Criminal Division, Office of International Affairs (OIA) is seeking an experienced attorney to be detailed as OIA's representative in France, stationed at the United States Embassy in Paris. The attorney will work as a member of OIA's European team responsible for extradition and mutual legal assistance requests between the U.S. and France, and will serve as the principal representative of the Criminal Division of the Department of Justice in France. The attorney will work directly with U.S. and French law enforcement authorities on issues related to criminal investigations and prosecutions, as well as supporting the Department in the formulation and execution of bilateral and multilateral criminal justice programs and policies.

Responsibilities and
Opportunity offered:

The responsibilities of this position include:

- Developing and facilitating the execution of U.S.-French requests for extradition and legal assistance in criminal investigations and prosecutions, and resolving problems regarding those requests;
- Working directly with French Ministry of Justice and senior French law enforcement authorities on criminal investigations and prosecutions, and serving generally as liaison with those offices and federal, state and local prosecutors and police agencies in the U.S. to ensure the law enforcement interests of the United States and the Department of Justice are understood and given adequate consideration by French authorities;
- Working with and acting as a legal adviser to U.S. law enforcement personnel stationed at the Embassy on operational and case-related issues, including the conduct of joint investigations with French authorities;
- Developing expertise in the criminal laws and procedures of France to assist U.S. authorities with questions on law enforcement matters, and assisting French authorities with questions regarding U.S. criminal laws and procedures, with the goal of achieving better coordination and cooperation through mutual understanding;
- Working closely with Embassy and senior Department of State (DOS) officials on international criminal matters, ranging from terrorism, cyber-crime and narcotics initiatives to money laundering and fraud cases, with a particular view towards clearly articulating the interests of the Department of Justice, and working toward effective integration of those interests with the policies and priorities of the Embassy and the Department of State;

- Representing the Department of Justice in multilateral fora on issues relating to law enforcement interests;
- Serving as liaison between and among the Criminal Division, the Office of International Affairs, senior representatives of the French Government, U.S. federal officials, and state and local agencies in connection with international criminal matters.

This appointment is for two years with the possibility of a one year extension and is expected to begin in May/June of 2004

Qualifications:

Required qualifications: Applicants must possess a J.D. degree, be duly licensed and authorized to practice as an attorney under the laws of a State, territory, or the District of Columbia, have at least five (5) years of post-J.D. legal experience, be a current employee of the Department of Justice with extensive experience in the field of criminal law and the prosecution of criminal offenders, and have a strong background working with international requests for extradition and mutual legal assistance. Applicants must have, or be able to obtain, and maintain a Top Secret security clearance. Applicants should also have:

1. Significant experience in developing and litigating federal criminal cases involving international extradition and mutual legal assistance requests;
2. Significant experience dealing with complex legal and policy issues;
3. Working knowledge of federal and state judicial systems, prosecution, investigative and regulatory agencies;
4. Ability to establish and maintain harmonious relations with state and federal law enforcement agencies, representatives of foreign governments and the public;
5. Experience dealing with international organizations and foreign governments in law enforcement matters;
6. Ability to implement and effectively advocate Departmental policies on all matters relating to the assigned areas of responsibility;
7. Proficiency in the French language.

Travel:

Routine travel as necessary.

Salary Information:

The salary range is for a GS-15 position.

Location:

Paris, France

Relocation Expenses:

Appropriate relocation and housing costs in Paris will be paid by the Department of Justice. If the individual selected is detailed from outside the Criminal Division, salary, benefits and travel costs will be reimbursed to the employing organization.

Submission Process
and Deadline Date:

All interested attorneys meeting these qualifications should submit a resume to:
U.S. Department of Justice
Criminal Division, Office of International Affairs
P.O. Box 27330, McPherson Square
Washington, DC 20038-7330
Attn: Stewart Robinson, Deputy Director

We encourage applications and resumes submitted by e-mail to Position,Paris on your DOJ Global Address Book, or Paris.Position@usdoj.gov Applications and resumes may also be telefaxed to number (202) 514-0080. Submissions must be post-marked or received **February 27, 2004**.

Internet Sites:

This and other attorney vacancy announcements can be found at
<http://10.173.2.12/oarm/attvacancies.html>

For more information about the Criminal Division, visit the Criminal Division Web page at:
<http://www.usdoj.gov/criminal/criminal-home.html>

Department Policies:

The U.S. Department of Justice is an Equal Opportunity/Reasonable Accommodation Employer. It is the policy of the Department to achieve a drug-free workplace, and the person selected will be required to pass a drug test to screen for illegal drug use. Employment is also contingent upon the satisfactory completion of a background investigation adjudicated by the Department of Justice.

The Department of Justice welcomes and encourages applications from persons with physical and mental disabilities and will reasonably accommodate the needs of those persons. The Department is firmly committed to satisfying its affirmative obligations under the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, to ensure that persons with disabilities have every opportunity to be hired and advanced on the basis of merit within the Department of Justice. This agency provides reasonable accommodation to applicants with disabilities where appropriate. If you need a reasonable accommodation for any part of the application and hiring process, please notify the agency. Determinations on requests for accommodation will be made on a case-by-case basis.